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E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: EFIN, ETRD, GATT, PK
SUBJECT: FURTHER THOUGHTS ON US/PAKISTAN RELATIONS

1. WE ARE GETTING WHAT I CONSIDER TO BE SOME ENCOURAGING
SIGNALS FROM THE DEPARTMENT THAT BEFORE TOO LONG WE MAY GET
BACK TO DOING BUSINESS WITH THE PAKISTANIS. I HOPE SO AND
THAT I CAN SOON CONVEY SUCH A MESSAGE TO THEM; THE CLIMATE
BADLY NEEDS IT.

2. MEANTIME, I HOPE WE GET NO MORE SHOCKS OF THE TYPE I
EXPRESSED MY ANGUISH ABOUT LAST WEEK IN MY 8426 TO YOU. I
AM A LITTLE DISTURBED BY THE VIBES THAT ARE COMING OUT OF
EXIM ON THE PIA LOAN. WE HAD UNDERSTOOD THAT EXIM CONSIDERED
PIA A GOOD ENOUGH COMMERCIAL RISK TO GO AHEAD AND FINANCE
THE ADDITIONAL 747 DESPITE ITS FEARS ABOUT PAKISTAN'S
GENERAL ABILITY TO PAY ITS BILLS. NOW EXIM IS SOUNDING
OUT STATE ABOUT HOW IMPORTANT WE CONSIDER THE SALE TO BE.
I THINK THE COMMERCIAL IMPORTANCE IS SUFFICIENTLY OBVIOUS
TO NEED NO EXTENDED ARGUMENT. PIA IS A GROWING AIRLINE
AND HAS BEEN A GOOD CUSTOMER FOR OUR AIRCRAFT. POLI-
TICALLY, I THINK THAT TURNING PIA DOWN NOW (OR EVEN LETTING
DOUBTS CREEP IN) WOULD FURTHER COMPLICATE OUR ALREADY
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CLOUDY BILATERAL RELATIONS WITH PAKISTAN. THIS TELEGRAM
ALSO NEEDS NO REPLY. REGARDS.
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